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34th annual Drive-thru Live Nativity sees record number of attendees By AMANDA DUFORAT

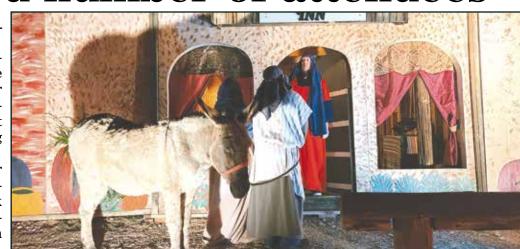
Managing Editor

The 34th annual Drive-thru Live Nativity has wrapped up for 2020 and the event was marked a success by Pastor Richard Schneberger and the NazFamily Church members. There were almost 2,000 people who drove through during the three-day event.

"We had better attendance this year than we have for several years," Pastor Richard Schneberger said. "I think it was a reflection that people are looking for safe ways to celebrate the season with their family."

This past year was a difficult year for many as chaos and significant crisis was seen throughout the year. With the event being a drive-thru there were

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HERALD photo/Amanda Duforat

Pictured above is one of the scenes from the live Nativity event that has taken place for the past 34 years. NazFamily Church puts on the three day long event for the community free of charge, but accepts donations.

Home Hospice supports Angel Tree Program with \$2,500 donation



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Home Hospice donated \$2,500 to the Salvation Army Angel Tree program this year, in lieu of company party or gifts. The employees decided this year they wanted to give back to the community and support a happy holiday season for the seniors in the Howard County community.

Howard College approves boiler purchase in special meeting

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

A special meeting of the Howard College Board of Trustees was called this past Monday in an effort to get the replacement of failing and already failed boilers hopefully completed during the Christmas/ holiday break.

Since September the College has lost four of the six boilers, with the most recent going down last Monday. Requests for bids had been sought over the last few weeks and accelerated when the fourth boiler went down. According to Dr. Cheryl Sparks during the special called meeting, in order for the campus to be fully functional with heat, it requires three boilers and the second three provide rotation of heat as

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See HOWARD, Page 3 Tips to enjoying a safe holiday season

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Christmas time has arrived. As families wrap up last minute shopping and prepare to head out for family celebrations, the Big Spring Police Department offers a few safety tips for this holiday season.

While this year has looked a little different than previous holidays, and the CDC has recommended to limit gatherings there will still be those who travel or choose to gather.

"As we have mentioned before it's important to pay attention to your surroundings," Big Spring Police Chief Chad Williams said. "For those who are wrapping up their Christmas shopping, with the days being shorter and it getting darker earlier, if you will be out after it gets dark make sure and park in well lit areas."

Holiday safety tips can extend into every day activities to help detour the possibility of criminal activity. When heading out in public, especially at the holiday season where there is an increase in foot traffic at malls and grocery stores, it is important to travel

with someone.

"There is always strength in numbers. Shop and travel with other family members or friends, especially if it is at night or you are traveling to an area you are not familiar with," Chief Williams said.

For those traveling – just as any other time of the year – do not post travel

plans online. For those who will be out of town for the holidays, ask if a neighbor or trusted family member or friend will check your residence while you are out.

While out shopping make sure to keep items purchased out of site if at all possible. Leaving gifts purchased in open view or purses in seats to be seen by a passerby is a window of opportunity for

theft. When shopping items, once placed inside the vehi-

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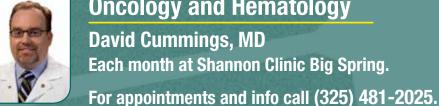
"We understand that there are those who may not have someone to check on their home while they are out of town, and we want to remind the community we do have a free house watch program in Big Spring," he said. "To get set up simply call the police department, and

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- West Texas Centers will be hosting the January 2021 Mental Health First Aid training classes twice in January. The classes will be held on Jan. 26, 2021 for Adult Mental Health First Aid, and Jan. 28, 2021 for Youth Mental Health First Aid . Both classes will be virtual.
- A gofund me page for Ed Flores, who recently tested positive for coronavirus and was recently transferred to Lubbock. Donations are requested to help with medical bills and travel expenses so his wife can be close with him. Ed worked with Shroyer for about 25 years and 87 Auto Sale as a mechanic; he has always been willing to help out people even when they didn't have enough money to pay him. Donations can be made at GoFundMe by Monica Medina. For more information on how to help, e-mail jessemonica1234@gmail.com or call 432-517-7675.
- Isaiah 58's last distribution will be Dec. 15 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. The food pantry will be closed for the holiday season, through the end of the year beginning Dec. 21. through January 5, 2021.
- The City of Big Spring recently announced that due to a recent increase in COVID-19 cases, all indoor city-owned rental facilities including our venue, The Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, will be closed for the rest of the year. With this announcement and with no other venue options that will properly social distance our musicians, we will be unable to kick off our season on Dec. 19 with our "Holiday Spectacular" Concert. Be watching our Facebook page, Symphony website (Bigspringsymphony.org), the Big Spring Herald, KBYG and KBST for further details and a new kick-off date for our season, appropriately entitled, "The Versatile Big Spring Symphony". Thank you for your continued support and patience as we navigate through these unusual times. We hope to see you very soon. May you and your family stay safe and healthy through the rest of this Holiday Season!
- The Howard County Courthouse will only be open by appointment. All doors except the handicapped entrance located on the west side of the building will be locked. All who enter will be screened following Covid guidelines. Face masks are required for all who enter.
- City of Big Spring offices have moved to by appointment only or electronic communication only. Contact information for all departments can be found on the city website at mybigspring.com.

 Forsan Food Pantry will be open twice a month from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Families who are in need can pull up to the front doors of the Junior High/

High School and receive a free box of pre-packed meals. If you have any questions or need to pick up a box at a different time, contact Kaci Wash at 432-457-2223 ext 821 or Jenny Sayles at jennysales@yahoo.com.

· Cub Scouts meet Monday from 6:30 p.m. until

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Church, located at 1400 S. Lancaster.

- Howard County Republican Club meets the second Monday of each month at 421 Main Street. Everyone is welcome. The meeting takes place at Noon. For more information call 432-213-7628.
- A new group named Taking Care of Business has started in Howard County. It is made up of people of all ages and genders who want to be better than they are. The focus of the fledgling organization is to engage in meaningful discussions that promote personal growth. Additionally, the organization will plan and execute worthwhile activities within the community. There is no membership fee and attendance is not taken. The only requirements are that you be positive or want to be more positive than you are, consider yourself to be a good person but want to be better than you are, and that you have a desire to help others be better too. Childcare is available during the discussion time if you let us know. Topics to be avoided include Religion and Politics, though we can dance around them.

Taking Care of Business is being sponsored by the local Masons and it meets in the Masonic Lodge on the court square. It is not necessary that you have any masonic affiliation to participate in this Growth Group. All Covid-19 safety protocols will be followed as defined by local, state, and federal authorities. At this time refreshments will not be served but you are welcome to bring your own and not share. The meetings take place at 219 South Main Big Spring, Texas. For more information write to Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com or just come to the meeting.

- The Life Center in Big Spring is helping moms and dads with a Diaper Day Giveaway! Call for a five minute phone appointment and a pickup time for free diapers, wipes and formula. 432-606-5041.
- The Senior Supper Club has come out of hibernation to resume its normal Tuesday evening dinners. The Come-One-Come-All group will be meeting on Tuesdays at 5 p.m. and orders will be placed around 5:30 p.m. after much socializing from a distance. The Senior Supper Club is an informal group of folks from Howard County who meet at least weekly and sometimes more for Dutch-Treat food at different area restaurants. Sometimes the group also meets for cards, dominoes, or desserts and fellowship. For more information, contact Colonel.Allen.M.Morris@Gmail.com.
- St. Vincent de Paul will be open the following dates beginning November 2020. Food distribution will take place the second Thursday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and other assistance will be suspended at this time, but will resume on

Dec. 17. Distributions will take place at 1009 Hearn at SVDP Building. In December 2020, the food distribution will continue the 2nd Thursday as scheduled. SVDP will be closed from December 18 through January 7, 2021.

Obituaries

Gary Blount
Gary Blount, 68, passed away after a short illness. He worked at the Fina Refinery for 35 years. He was a board member of the Salvation Army for 20 years. He is survived by his wife, Janice Blount, his sons Bryan and Jeremy Blount, four grandchildren, his mother and two sisters.

Services will be held at a later date for immediate family.

Support Group

- · Reformers Unanimous International is a faithbased addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Fridays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

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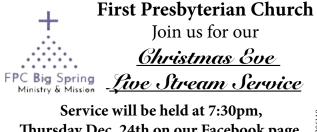
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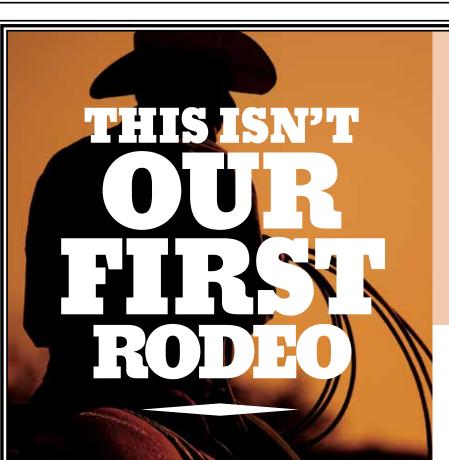


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well as increased sanitizing in the spaces were vol-

"As this year comes to a close we are thankful

that we are able to once again share the hope of

Christ with our community through our Live Na-

tivity. We pray this event continues to point us all

to the One we celebrate and reflects His light into

this dark world," he said. "People need to know

now more than ever and we know our ultimate

hope isn't in a vaccine, though the eradication of

deadly disease is certainly something to celebrate,

our eternal hope is in Jesus. Apart from Him there

As each year does, this year brought many mem-

orable moments as the weekend concluded. As

Schneberger worked the greeter booth, he was able

to see the impact this story has on people as they

came through. There were those who were moved

to tears while others are joyfully celebrating. One

of the main questions as people drove through was

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"Spoiler alert ... he is real," he said. "He's just gotten good at standing absolutely still. One of the not many changes that had to be made in order most meaningful things this year was witnessing to keep the event safe as families drove through. the generosity of this community." However, there were some added precautions that While the event is free for the community to en-NazFamily Church decided to implement in order

joy, donations are accepted and according to Pastor Schneberger, this year the community was more generous than previous years. One of the most touching moments according to Pastor Schenberger was when a donation was received from a 5 year

According to the boy's mother, he had emptied out his piggy bank before the family headed out to the Nativity because he wanted to give it all to Jesus. The volutneers were so moved by the gesture.

"We were so moved by his gesture. It meant more than all the other large bills that were dropped in the buckets," he said.

Pastor Schneberger continued, "We are blessed to be able to continue this tradition. The people who came through were very grateful that we are keeping the tradition alive. Thank you to our community for supporting us and encouraging us. Your attendance year after year and your affirmation of this ministry truly means a lot to us."

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visitation will be from Armando Salgado, 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Jr. 66 died Wednesday. Visitation will be with a Vigil service at Noon until 7:00 PM 7:00 PM on Sunday, Wednesday at Myers & December 27, 2020 at Smith Funeral Home. Myers & Smith Funeral Services will Funeral Home Funeral service will be at 11:00 AMSaturday, December on Monday, December 26, 2020 at Life Church. 28, 2020 at 1:00 PM at Holy Trinity Catholic Alvin Marin, 83, died Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Thursday. Services

are pending at Myers Park. Funeral Jonathan Harmon, Richard Mills, 72 died Monday. Services are pending at Myers

> John Fisher, 83, died visitation will

> 37, died Wednesday. Family will receive friends at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Saturday. December 26, 2020 from 2:00 PM until 3:00

> Sunday. Viewing and Saturday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Memorial service will be Saturday, December 26, 2020 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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designed in the Central Plant constructed in the bond project. The most recent boiler loss put the campus at greater risk and in need to put action into motion to ensure students would have heat upon their arrival back to campus in January.

"The first three boiler issues were identified in a routine check during September in preparation for the winter season. One of which was operating at a dangerous level and the others showing concerns related to gas," Dr. Sparks said. "The boilers were operating well last winter and showed no sign of needing to be addressed, however, over the past few months, they have been going down. Director of Facilities and Fleet Maintenance/HVAC Specialist, Shane Clark has been carefully watching the second two over the last few days as we determined a solution forward."

The Board of Trustees came together Monday afternoon to hear the situation surrounding the immediate replacement of the boilers, considering one, three or six boilers. After hearing from Dr. Sparks and other involved college personnel about the current situation, the Board of Trustees opted to approve the purchase of six boilers utilizing existing unspent funds. The bid was awarded to Trane for a cost of \$265,748, which includes warranty. Trane will be working with Bosworth to do the installation. The project work should be able to begin within a two week time frame, accounting for manufacturing, shipping, and holiday sched-

Also included in the meeting Dr. Sparks delivered an update on a recent announcement and good news for the holiday season regarding nursing students.

Through the generosity of the G. C. Broughton, Jr. Foundation, 52 nursing students currently enrolled in the program received full coverage of tuition, fees and books. According to Dr. Sparks, the students in the LVN program will have their Spring semester paid for, graduating in May 2021; LVN to ADN/RN transition will have their tuition paid through October 2021 graduation; 2nd year RN students will be covered for the Spring, graduating in May 2021; and the 1st year ADN/RN students will have their Spring and Fall 2021/Spring 2022 tuition, fees and books for next year covered, graduating in May 2022.

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a house watch will be set up."

In addition to keeping your home safe while traveling, it is important to draw extra attention into your home by opening windows and making gifts around your tree viewable to those walking or driving by. During the holidays there tends to be an increase in items being taken from porches or outside the home.

"Do not have packages delivered to your residence if someone will not be there when they are delivered," he said. "Have packages delivered to your work or to someone whom you trust who will be home at the delivery time to help avoid having packages stolen from your home before you are able to pick them up and take them inside."

For those who will be attending holiday parties outside their home, Chief Williams reminds of the importance to find a designated driver if you will be having any alcoholic beverages.

"It's always a good reminder to not drink and drive, especially with the holidays with increased traffic," he said. "Set up a designated driver and as always, when out and about if you see something suspicious give us a call."

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continued, "No matter what your activity - shopping, traveling, or enjoying time in your community - have patience during the busy holiday season."

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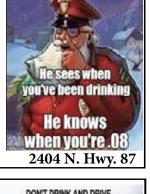
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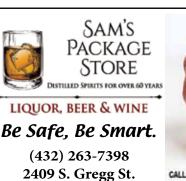
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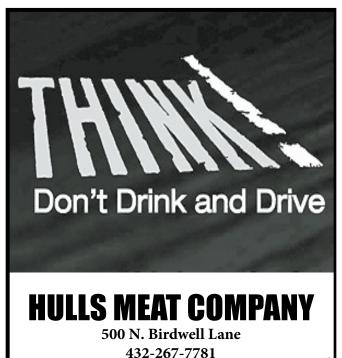
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Getting to know the 2021 Howard Lady Hawks basketball team







The Lady Hawks will look almost completely different from last season. One constant will be Tatym Barnes (left). Newcomers Claudia Hernandez (middle) and Sumaiyah Abdur-Rahim (right) will be new faces in the red and black this season.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

It is the beginning of a new era in Howard Lady Hawks basketball as new Head Coach John Ishee prepares to take over this season. While Ishee was not the one that recruited the players that comprise the current roster, he is the one that will be responsible for coaching them up and leading them on the court this season.

Howard has 13 players on its current roster and only two players returning from the 2019-2020 team -Tatym Barnes and Anais Bonnemaison. Those two players account for two of the four sophomores that will suit up in the red and black this season. Eight of the nine freshmen on the squad are from high schools around Texas, from Houston to Amarillo. The only freshman to join the Lady Hawks from out of state is Charnay Robinson, who will be coming all the way from Detroit.

Following a 7-22 season last winter, this young, new-look Howard squad will be learning on the fly under a new coach in a shortened season. Luckily for Ishee, he will be able to rely on assistant coach Meesha Wade to help out the team in all different areas. The Lady Hawks will only play a total of 22 regular season games this year, so as long as they do not go winless, they will assure themselves a smaller amount of games lost than

The team is very young and will once again play in the vaunted NJ-CAA Region V. However, Ishee could install new life and energy into a program that needs it after a down past few years. Let us now take a look at the new and returning members of the Lady Hawks and what they might bring to the hardwood this season:

SUMAIYAH ABDUR-RAHIM Sophomore - Arlington, TX

Abdur-Rahim is a transfer student-

athlete from Weatherford College that plays the guard position. She averaged 6.9 points per game for the Lady Coyotes last season while also dishing out over two assists (2.1) per game. Her season-high in scoring was 21 points and she even notched an 18-point game against the Lady Hawks in the first game of the season last year. In all, she scored in doubledigits eight times and should bring a nice scoring presence to Howard.

TATYM BARNES Sophomore - Amarillo, TX

Barnes returns to the Lady Hawks

after starting 24 games last season as the point guard. She averaged 10.5 points per game last season along with 3.3 rebounds per game and 1.0 assist per game. Barnes is a competitive two-way player that scores in bunches when she gets hot. She will

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ANAIS BONNEMAISON Sophomore - Agen, France

Bonnemaison is the second and final returning Lady Hawks from last season. She averaged 5.5 points per game in 2019-20 but did grab 4.2 rebounds per game. She started 19 games last season and is a consistent scorer in the post. She should be given opportunities on the floor once again this

HILLARY BROUSSARD Freshman - Houston, TX

Broussard is a 5-foot-7 guard/forward that played her high school ball at Summer Creek High School. She will add even more flexibility for Ishee and Wade with their lineups this upcoming season.

SHERIDAN GAMBLE Freshman - Waco, TX

Gamble is a 5-foot-10 forward/center who played her high school basketball at University High School. As a senior, she averaged 14.1 points per game to go along with 6.2 rebounds per game. On defense, she grabbed 2.0 blocks per game and 1.8 steals per game. She will add much-needed size to the Lady Hawks frontcourt.

KIARA GREEN Freshman - Amarillo, TX

Green is a 5-foot-5 guard that played high school basketball at Palo Duro

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High School. She is talented both shooting and facilitating for her teammates. Green should compete for playing time along with the other guards.

CLAUDIA HERNANDEZ Sophomore -Barcelona, Spain

Hernandez is a transfer student-athlete who played her first year of collegiate basketball at Laramie County Community College (WY). SHe did not receive much playing time during her first season at the junior college level and averaged 3.2 points per game. The main factor that lef to her transferring was her desire to earn more playing time. "She's a point guard with experience, so that already gives her an advantage. Plus she can shoot the three very well," Wade said.

ANGEL JONES Freshman - Dallas, TX

2nd year with Doncic, Porzingis

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

Luka Doncic will have to wait for European sidekick Kristaps Porzingis to join him for their second season together after the pair led Dallas to the playoffs for the first time in four

The Mavericks emphasized defense and toughness in the offseason while trying to build their roster around the young stars who want to get the franchise out of the first round for the first time since its only championship a decade ago.

Josh Richardson and James Johnson came in trades, former Arizona defensive ace Josh Green in the first round of the draft and two-time NCAA champion Jalen Brunson and versatile forward Dwight Powell are back from injuries.

"We've got to be very competitive," said coach Rick Carlisle, getting ready for his 13th season in Dallas. "We've got to be tough-minded and unselfish."

Jones is a forward/center that played her senior year of high school basketball at Cedar Hill High School. The versatile 5-foot-11 baller has plenty of talent and size which should help her find herself in the player that is consistently in the rotation. "She'll fit in just fine. She's a bigger kid than what we had last season and will make our team more versatile." Wade said. Jones describes herself as a player that plays aggressive and fast-paced.

MIKAYLA MALIK Freshman - Houston, TX

Malik was teammates with Broussard at Summer Creek High School. She is a 5-foot-11 forward that should play consistently for the Lady Hawks this season.

BREELEY OAKLEY Freshman - Trophy Club, TX

Oakley is a 5-foot-9 shooting guard from Byron Nelson High School. She is a strong rebounder for her size and

can score the ball as well. She played at the 6A level and should bring some great experience against top-level high school talent with her to help her adapt to the next level.

DANIELA PERDOMO Freshman - Houston, TX

Player

Perdomo played her high school ball at Manvel High and will bring a mix of shooting and facilitating ability to the Lady Hawks. "Daniela is an inside-out player who can post-up

smaller guards but can also shoot the three very well and has an amazing basketball IQ," Wade said.

CHARNAY ROBINSON Freshman - Detroit, MI

While her hometown is Detroit,

Robinson played her senior year of high school basketball at Cypress Ridge High School in Houston. Robinson is a point guard and will bring her talents west to lead the Howard Lady Hawks on the court at some points this season.

RAEGAN TRAVIS Freshman - Allen, TX

Travis is a 5-foot-8 forward that played her high school basketball at state powerhouse Allen High School. She will be an integral part of the

floor because of her versatility.

The long wait is almost over and the Lady Hawks are almost back on the hardwood. In a little less than a month, Ishee will make his debut as the new coach while a group of 11 players make their debut as Lady Hawks. As a group, they will turn the page and look ahead towards a new

Lady Hawk rotation this season and

will find consistent minutes on the

Shawn Moran is the sports writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, e-mail sports@bigspringherald. com or call 432-263-7331.

Position

College

2020 ESPN Top 50 Junior College Football Recruits

Hometown

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Khyree Jackson	Upper Marlboro, MD	CB	Alabama
Tiyon Evans	Hartsville, SC	RB	Tennessee
JaDarrius Perkins	Hattiesburg, MS	CB	Undecided
De'Jahn Warren	Hyattsville, MD	CB	Jackson State
Jordan Moko	Melbourne, AUS	OT	Undecided
Jalen Williams	Tylertown, MS	DT	Arkansas
Alex Lemon	Spring Valley, CA	DE	Undecided
B.J. Ferrell	Fordyce, AR	DT	UTSA
Quentin Moore	Kenmore, WA	TE	Washington
Daniel Robledo	Tucson, AZ	DE	Missouri
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Deyavie Hammond	Lakeland, FL	OG	Florida
Ron Tatum	Oklahoma City, OK	DE	UTSA
Jamond Gordon	Meridian, MS	DT	Ole Miss
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Isaiah Coe	Flossmoor, IL	DT	Oklahoma
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Cortez Eatmon	Jasper, AL	CB	Undecided
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Shemar Pearl	Plano, TX	DE	Missouri
Fred Thompkins	San Francisco, CA	ILB	Undecided
Jimmori Robinson	Alexandria, VA	DE	UTSA
Nijel McGriff	Jacksonville, FL	DT	Undecided
Austin Jarrard	El Dorado Hills, CA	TE	Oklahoma St.
Jasper Williams	Grenada, MS	OLB	Undecided
Kamal Hadden	River Rouge, MI	CB	Auburn
Caleb Etienne	New Orleans, LA	OT	Oklahoma St.
Kaedin Robinson	Asheville, NC	WR	UCF
Jeremiah Crawford	Goddard, KS	OT	Undecided
Antonio Brooks	Missouri City, TX	S	Houston
Myron Green	New Orleans, LA	DT	Undecided
Shaq Anderson-Butts		WR	Undecided
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Jacqui Graham	Decatur, MS	OT	Southern Miss
Jaylon Griffin	Huntsville, TX	WR	UCF
Koby Gross	Danville, CA	TE	Florida State
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Jordan Ford	Chattanooga, TN	RB	Undecided
Trustin Oliver	Parker, CO	S	Colorado
Jymetre Hester	Belle Glade, FL	WR	Florida Atl.
Anthony Belton	Tallahassee, FL	OT	Undecided
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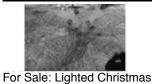
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

C/O Chris Harwood 707 Sunset Lane Lubbock, TX 79403

DATED December 21, 2020

/s/ C.E. Mike Thomas III C.E. MIKE THOMAS III Attorney for Chris Harwood State Bar No.: 19845200 P.O. BOX 2117 BIG SPRING, TX 79721 Telephone: (432)263-4142 Facsimile: (432)267-2763

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U.S. Department of Agriculture Agriculture Research Services

Environmental Assessment for the **Proposed Land Exchange** CON JULY WAS TOUR OF THE CONTRACT OF THE CONTR

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of Federal and Private Lands

Plains Area Office Agricultural Research Center

The U.S. Department of

Agriculture, Agriculture Research Service, Plains Area Office has prepared an **Environmental Assessment** (EA) to analyze the potential impacts associated with the proposed land exchange of ARS land in Big Spring, Howard County, TX with privately-owned land in Hale County, near Abernathy, TX. This notice announces the availability of the EA for public review and comment. The EA was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508, and evaluates the potential impacts of the Proposed Action and No Action alternatives. Under the Proposed Action Alternative, the ARS land in Big Spring, TX would be

exchanged for privatelyowned land near Abernathy, TX to provide land suitable for farm cultivation research. allowing the ARS Cropping Systems Research Laboratory to meet their current research needs and mission priorities. The Big Spring site would be acquired by a thirdparty oil and gas company that would construct and install a wellsite and associated flow pipelines.

This EA will be open for public review for 30 days, from December 18 through January 16. An electronic copy of the EA and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is available on the ARS 's webhttps://www.ars.usda.gov/plai

ns-area/lubbock-tx/croppingsystems-researchlaboratory/docs/lubbock-landswap/. Hard copies may be

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Donald Allen, Deceased, were issued on December 9, 2020, in Cause No. P-15085. pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas, to: Mr. Bruce Allen.

against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Sterling T. Burleson

All persons having claims

Attorney at Law 156 East 2nd Colorado City, Texas

DATED the 14th day of December, 2020.

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ARIES (March

21-April 19). Feelings

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ing and spilling all over

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of joy, appreciation,

love and comfort, the

mess is such a plea-

sure it's hardly worth

TAURUS (April

20-May 20). Your inclu-

ple and helps them feel

siveness relaxes peo-

comfortable enough

to connect. Ultimately,

the sense of belonging

you promote will wrap

blanket on a snowy

June 21). To notice

someone's nervous-

away from them with

your warmth and easy

kindest things you can

tidote to anxiousness,

and it calms you to be

CANCER (June

deepest levels of you

your body or even per-

sonality. You may get

caught up in temporary

attitudes, opinions and

adornments, but you

will not confuse them

22). You'll make your

preparations and run

through your idea about

how things should flow.

Without those moments

of fantasy and fore-

thought, you simply

couldn't pull off your

cal way.

day in the same magi-

with who you really are.

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22-July 22). The

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GEMINI (May 21-

cleaning up.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You are endowed with raw materials -- inherent

quali-

ties, re-

sourc-

es,

ideas -- all of which can be arranged and rearranged to various effect. You feel it down deep... the freedom to create yourself.

LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). Just as

an author's skill is in

making the reader turn the page, your skill is making those close to you wonder what's next. You love to play with expectations and draw out anticipation to its most delectable tension. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll emphasize what you

want people to see and know about you. While you can't control what others think, the extent to which you can effectively lead their attention will please you greatly now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It's so easy for you to see the good in others and nurture those talents until they gleam. What's hard is holding back your praise, but there's no point to that today. Roll out the enthusi-

You could have, after all, but you kept going instead. You've earned this one.

20-Feb. 18). It seems counterintuitive, and yet, by tuning in to your own uniqueness, you somehow attract like-minded people. It feels wonderful to be appreciated without trying hard.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are always multiple ways to work a situation, some of which will be more fulfilling (and fun!) than your first ideas. You can see more options just as soon as you let go of the first few.

TODAY'S BIRTHa run of overdue attenthe fulfilling part. Taurus and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 11, 39, 16 and 4

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Thursday, December 24, 2020

COSMIC HOLIDAY REPORT: The trine of

Mercury, the minister of communication, and Uranus, master of whims and unexpected occurrences, suggests holiday surprises. If the bull moon has anything to do with it, these delights may be gastronomical in nature, as Taurus rules appetite. It should be noted that, when faced with the temptation of a once-a-year variety of treats, it can be hard, or even futile, to resist. It may cut down on a lot of unnecessary internal conflict to follow the Oscar Wilde adage "The only way to get rid of a temptation is to yield to it. Resist it, and your soul grows sick with longing for the things it has forbidden

to itself..." Of course, physical appetite isn't the only sort ruled by this moon. Essentially, anything craved by stomach, body, intellect, heart or soul falls into the category. As we get busy with life's demands, we often do not realize what we want until the "hunger" signals become uncomfortable. But there really isn't a good reason to wait until a longing becomes painful. The earlier you heed the call coming from inside, the more time you'll have to develop and enjoy those

to your soul.

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By Holiday Mathis Corn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll make a discovery all on your own and feel supremely satisfied

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it, too.

given up a dozen times,

AQUARIUS (Jan.

DAY (Dec. 24). Your focus makes miracles possible. You're able to let go of whatever does not noticeably contribute to the kind of joyful living you're going for. Spring brings tion and appreciation. You've worked toward this a long while, and the reward is fun. but mastering the skill is

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By Steve Becker

The magnetism of pragmatism double showed diamond length and South dealer. strength and encouraged West to bid Both sides vulnerable. **NORTH** five diamonds over South's Black-**4**98743 wood bid. East's pass of six hearts is totally incomprehensible; he should have bid either six spades to reveal the two-suited nature of his hand, or WEST **EAST** else seven diamonds.

♠ A J 10 6 2

SOUTH

North

6♥

One might think that in duplicate

bridge, where the contestants play

exactly the same hands, the results

would be the same at most tables.

While this may be true when the dis-

tribution is relatively flat, almost

anything can happen when the distri-

♦A1086432

East

Dble

♠KQ

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♦ K J 7 5

The bidding:

South

1♥

4 NT

West

Pass

5♦

Opening lead — king of spades.

Declarer had no difficulty making six hearts, losing only a spade trick to score 1,430 points.

At the second table, where North-South's teammates held the East-West cards, the bidding followed a completely different path:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1 💠	2 ♦
Pass	3 ♦	4♥	4 💠
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	Pass
5♥	Pass	Pass	6♦
Dble			
This	time, it	was the E	ast-Wes

pair who bid and made a slam, which was doubled by South. Here declarer also had no difficulty making the contract, so East-West scored 1,540 points to yield a total gain for his team of 2,970 points! The general rule in competitive

bution is freakish. Consider this deal auctions at high levels — where it's clear both sides are bidding on distrifrom the final round of a major team butional rather than high-card values At the first table, the bidding went - is to bid when in doubt. That's as shown. North's four-diamond bid what East should have done at the was a "splinter," indicating heart supfirst table, and what either North or port and game-going values, plus a South should have done at the secsingleton or void in diamonds. East's

> Tomorrow: Bidding quiz. ©2020 King Features Syndicate Inc.

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Simple Gesture Made a Difference

Dear Annie: Years ago, I read the toilet seat debate in the Ann Landers column. It featured women upset about men leaving the toilet seat up after use and men defensive about it.

My wife and I were married for 45 and a half years, and she never complained about it, but I thought if such a simple thing might make her more pleased then why not do it. So, I always made sure to put the seat down when I was done using the bathroom. She died a little over a year ago, and I still put the seat down. -- Caring in Spokane

Dear Caring: I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm sure your thoughtfulness was something your wife loved about you. At a time when many couples have been cooped up together for months, your letter is a reminder to be kind to each other in every way we can,

while we can.

Dear Annie: I've been in this relationship with a guy for four vears. I think I can count on both hands how many times he's said he loves me. I've always questioned his love for me. He barely touches me. If I touch him, he jumps away from me, but when he's ready to be affectionate, I'm always available to him. The last time we were intimate

Another thing that concerns me: Whenever we have conflict, he always threatens to leave. I told him that I don't appreciate the threats and that I would never ask a partner to leave unless I actually wanted him to go.

was many months ago.

The last time he threatened to leave, I told him to leave and that I would help him pack. So far, he's stopped with the threats since then.

I'm 49 years old, and I just can't see myself wasting another year with this type of relationship. It's hard and depressing, especially

during the pandemic.

Annie's Mailbox ® I feel like he's a manipulator and needs to go. What should I do? -- Feeling Unloved

> **Dear Feeling Un**loved: I don't think that you need me to tell you what to do. You're just having trouble actually doing it. My advice: Stop thinking of the last four years as a waste. Far from helping you gin up the courage to leave, that mindset may actually paralyze you into staying. Instead, consider that the relationship offered valuable lessons and growth (and, hopefully, some happy memories), but it's no longer serving you. The sooner you end this, the sooner you'll be onward and upward.

Dear Annie: The letter from "CRC Survivor," who only found out he had colon cancer when he went to donate blood, brings up two great points: The first is the importance of donating blood on a regular basis, since blood is always in short supply; the second is the value of

routine colonoscopy,

since colon cancer can

be completely silent, I remember Katie Couric promoting it after her husband died at a young age from colon cancer. I hope that your readers follow your advice. -- Haridas

Dear Haridas: The American Red Cross is in critical need of blood and plasma donations right now -- particularly from COVID-19 survivors, whose plasma can help people fighting COVID-19 now. You can go to https://www. redcrossblood.org to sign up for an appointment.

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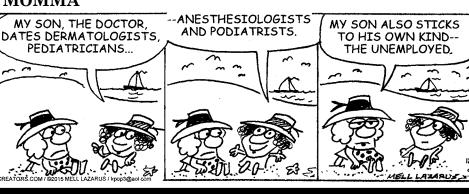








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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 24, the 359th day of 2020. There are seven days left in the year. This is Christmas Eve.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 24, 1814, the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Ghent, which ended the War of 1812 following ratification by both the British Parliament and the U.S.

On this date:

In 1524, Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama — who had discovered a sea route around Africa to India died in Cochin, India. In 1851, fire devastated

the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., destroying about 35,000 volumes. In 1865, several veterans

of the Confederate Army formed a private social club in Pulaski, Tennessee, that was the original version of the Ku Klux Klan. In 1913, 73 people, most

of them children, died in a crush of panic after a false cry of "Fire!" during a Christmas party for striking miners and their families at the Italian Hall in Calumet, Michigan. In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower supreme commander of Allied forces in Europe as part of Operation Overlord.

In 1968, the Apollo 8 astronauts, orbiting the moon, read passages from the Old Testament Book of Genesis during a Christmas Eve tele-

In 1980, Americans remembered the U.S. hostages in Iran by burning candles or shining lights for 417 seconds — one second for each day of captivity.

In 1984, actor Peter Lawford, 61, died in Los Angeles.

In 1992, President Bush pardoned former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and five others in the Iran-Contra scandal.

In 1993, the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, who blended Christian and psychiatric principles into a message of "positive thinking," died in Pawling, New York, at age 95.

In 2014, Sony Pictures broadly released "The Interview" online — an unprecedented counterstroke against the hackers who'd spoiled the Christmas opening of the comedy depicting the assassination of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

In 2016, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu accused President Barack Obama of a "shameful ambush" at the United Nations and said he was looking forward to working with his "friend" Donald Trump; Netanyahu's comments came a day after the U.S. broke with past practice and allowed the Security Council to condemn Israeli settlements in the West Bank and east Jerusalem.

Ten years ago: Pope Benedict XVI ushered in Christmas Eve with an evening Mass amid heightened security concerns following package bombings at two Rome embassies and Christmas Eve security breaches at the Vatican the previous two years. Five years ago: Christian faithful from around the world descended on the biblical city of Bethlehem for Christmas Eve celebrations as an outburst of Israeli-Pal-

estinian violence dampened the typically festive mood. California Gov. Jerry Brown pardoned Robert Downey Jr. for a nearly 20-year-old felony drug conviction that sent the Oscar-nominated actor to jail for nearly a year. William Guest, 74, a member of Gladys Knight and the Pips, died in Detroit. One year ago: With the

Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris unable to host Christmas services for the first time since the French Revolution because of damage from a fire earlier in the year, the clergy, choir and congregation relocated to a Gothic church next to the Louvre Museum for Christmas Eve

Answer to previous puzzle

and Christmas Day services. Democratic presidential contender Michael Bloomberg said he had cut ties with a contractor that used prisoners to make calls for his presidential campaign. Today's Birthdays: Federal health official Anthony S.

Fauci, M.D., is 80. Recording company executive Mike

Curb is 76. Actor Sharon Farrell is 74. Former U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions is 74. Actor Grand L. Bush is 65. Actor Clarence Gilyard is 65. Actor Stephanie Hodge is 64. The former president of Afghanistan, Hamid Karzai (HAH'-mihd KAHR'-zeye), is 63. Rock musician Ian Burden (The Human League) is

63. Actor Anil Kapoor (ah-NEEL' kuh-POOR') is 61. Actor Eva Tamargo is 60. Actor Wade Williams is 59. Rock singer Mary Ramsey (10,000 Maniacs) is 57. Actor Mark Valley is 56. Actor Diedrich Bader is 54. Actor Amaury Nolasco is 50. Singer Ricky Martin is 49. Author Stephenie Meyer is 47. TV

personality Ryan Seacrest (TV: "Live With Kelly & Ryan") is 46. Actor Michael Raymond-James is 43. Actor Austin Stowell is 36. Actor Sofia Black-D'Elia is 29. Rock singer Louis Tomlinson (One Direction) is 29.

Newsday Crossword

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